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2023 West Cascades Fiddle Camp

Fiddle Camp Notes by Jerry Parks

7 fiddle classes, 2 guitar classes and a mandolin class along with 24 workshops, jams, performances and a dance were all enjoyed by over 150 campers and their families at the 11th annual West Cascades Fiddle Camp.

Once again, **Emerald Christian Academy** in Pleasant Hill proved to be a great facility for the camp and the showers even have hot water (those who came to West Fir will get it). After cleanup on Thursday, the ice cream Sundays were a great way to send our camper's home. We should have a few pictures posted to the website during the next couple of weeks, so take a look at Fiddlecamp.net.



Beginning Youth Fiddle Class, the future hope and success of OOTFA



Lots of smiles at Fiddle Camp



Young musicians working out some tunes together

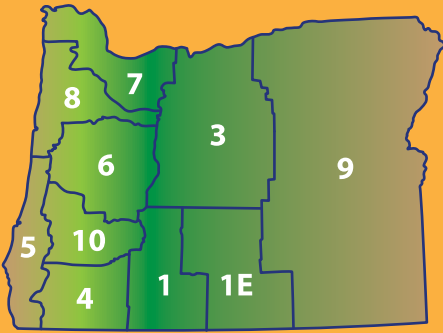


Night jam at camp

We are very excited to announce Cat McClintock has accepted the position as Chair of the Oregon Oldtime Fiddlers' Association State Fiddle Contest!

Cat began playing fiddle in 2001 and has since attended contests across the Rocky Mountain region and Midwest. After moving to Oregon from North Dakota in 2022, she quickly became a participant in our District 7 jams and attended her first **OOTFA State Fiddle Contest** in March 2023. With a background in marketing management, she brings valuable professional skills to this volunteer role. She sees these events as our traditions and shared passion for music. Her aim is to carry on our sense of community, provide playing and competition opportunities for the next generation of fiddlers and ensure the Oregon contest retains its reputation as a worthwhile event among fiddlers, while also resonating with the joy of fiddling. **Eileen Walter** has done a great job as our OOTFA State Fiddle Contest Chair and is happy to support Cat.

There are many OOTFA events coming up.....So, let's keep showing up, making friends, learning, playing music, singing, supporting one another, and having fun! See you soon!
~ Cindy



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Fiddle Camp takes a lot of energy and these young participants need their snacks!

Sometimes it is hard to remember a person's name. We all know the feeling when we have to ask someone "what is your name again?" OOTFA Name Tags help others remember your name without that awkward question. OOTFA Name Tags include the OOTFA logo and your district number. To order please specify whether you want a pin or a magnetic back. State your name, as you want it to appear, address and district number along with a \$10 check payable to:

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If you do not specify type of back, you will be sent the pin type

Oregon Oldtime Fiddlers

"Fiddle At the Beach"

August 17th-20th

Doors Open 8:00 AM for All Day Jams
 Friday & Saturday Night Stage Show Begins at 6:00 PM
 Friday is Contest Night at 6:00 PM-Costumes Welcome!
 Theme is "From Sea to Shining Sea-Across America"
 Sunday Morning Gospel Songs of Choice

Winchester Bay Community Center

*****Free Admission*****



Kris Fenton with Oran Barr, who won an award for "Best Performance!" at 2022's Fiddle at the Beach

2023 Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest

Friday, August 4
Benton County Fair
Oak Grove Stage
110 SW 53rd in Corvallis

Register at the Event!

This is the 24th year of the oldest outdoor fiddle contest in the state of Oregon. Contest coordinator is **Starr McMullen**.

Contestants and Accompanist get in free to the Benton County Fair with their instruments. You must use the Back Entrance off the West Parking Lot. The contest opens at 8 am and the contest begins after the 8:30 am judges meeting. Divisions order of play are Senior, Novice, Adult, Pee Wee, Junior Junior, Junior & Championship.

1. Phone or Text: Starr McMullen,
 541-745-5130; 541-602-1224

2. Email Starr: mcmulles@hotmail.com

3. Facebook:

www.facebook.com/3183701981867489
 (Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest group)

Central Oregon Acoustic Music Gathering

Crook County Fairgrounds
Prineville, Or
Sept. 14—16, 2023

Everyone is welcome to join us in a celebration of old time acoustic music

- Open Jam sessions
- Stage shows
- Workshops
- Dancing
- Family friendly fun
- Alcohol free event
- Good food
- Camping spaces \$30 or \$15/night
- FREE Admittance

For more information and campsite reservations
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District 1 August Events

3	Practice at Luther Square	1 pm
	2314 Homedale Rd. 97603	
9	Practice at Johnny Rogers' Home	9 am
10	Pelican Pointe	2:30 - 3:30 pm
17	Practice at Luther Square	1 pm
23	Practice at Johnny Rogers' Home	9 am
24	Rogue River Place	1 - 2 pm
31	Practice at Luther Square	1 pm

We have some changes in practice days and times. The week we **don't** play at a care home. We will have practice at **Luther Square** on Thursdays. The week we **have** a care center there will be practice on Wednesdays at **Johnny Rogers'** home. Hopefully this will help those that come a longer distance. If any of you have questions call me.

Temperatures for us in the Basin haven't been super-hot, a few days in the nineties, but mostly staying in the eighties. Today as I write this it is going to change really quick. Just so it stays out of the hundreds. So far, no wild fires.

July was a fun month. We had four out of town visitors for one of our practices. **Johnny's** great grand-daughters were here visiting from Baltimore, Maryland. **Hannah Dufour**, who was trying to learn to fiddle, and her sister **Lillian Dufour** who plays flute. Lillian immediately became very interested in **Sheila Fry's** ukulele, it wasn't long she was chording and strumming, she was hooked. Hannah had an amazing lesson from **Terry McLain**, another visitor. They were happy girls when they left and Johnny couldn't have been prouder.

Jay Schindler's brother, **Mark** was visiting from Texas, he is a guitar player so he fit right in. He was enjoying the cool weather here compared to Texas.

Jay's fourth of July picnic turned out great. His and **Ruth's** house overlooks Lake Ewaunas. An amazing fireworks display was put on over the water. We had a birthday party/practice for **Mary's** husband, **Allen**, at their house in Keno. We all had a great time as usual. We at District 1 may not have a lot of events to play at but when we are together, we have a great time. Thankful for all of our close-knit fiddler friends.

Wishing Happy Birthday to all of our August members. Have a special day. Happy Trails and Best Wishes from District 1.

~ Noranne Sparks, District 1 Reporter

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The weather has finally got hot here in District 1E.

Still making noise at **Rosa Lee's** on Thursday nights, 4 to 7 pm. Just had the second Saturday Jam at the **Chamber of Commerce**. We were treated to some out of town folks from Idaho, here visiting family. Very nice treat. We don't have anything coming up that I know of, as far as gigs go. Our Chair, Arlene Henry, was at Fiddle Camp. I am sure it was a lot of fun.

We just got back from Denio, Nevada at **Rope for Hope**. What a great time we had! **Edna Jenkins** and **Sheila Fry** came from Klamath Falls to help. **Larry McLain**, **Rosa Lee McLain**, **Mike Borelli**, **Brian Wiedner** and myself from Lakeview, **Doyle** and **Ruth** from Winnemucca Nevada also attended. What a treat!

~ Terry McLain, District 1E Reporter

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District 3 August Events

9	District Board Meeting	6 pm
	Joan Coleman's home, 19222 Galen Road, Bend Joan's phone & email listed above for more info	
27	Dance at Terrabonne Grange	1 - 3 pm
	8286 11th Street, Terrebonne, just a block off Highway 97, behind the Pumphouse Grill Open to the public!	
Every Monday	Jamming with Jeannette	2:30 pm
	1898 NW Davidson Way, Terrebonne Contact Jeannette at 541-410-5146 or jbond@bendcable.com	

On Saturday, July 8, District 3 OOTFA members played at the **Madras Saturday Market** from 10 a.m. to noon. Our musicians included **Ellen Jakab**, **Glen Churchfield**, **Barbara Higgins**, **Ted Schoenborn**, **Ron Jackson**, **Karen Bennett**, and **Genessa Farris**. Genessa is one of our junior members and is one of **Jeannette Bondsteel's** fiddle students.

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Want a convenient, low-key, easy access performance and dance event? Do you play an acoustic instrument or sing? If you've never performed for an audience, come on out to the **Terrebonne Grange** on the 4th Sunday of the month, starting at 1:00 pm. It's an ideal place to start, and meet fellow musicians. We have refreshments, and don't forget to feed the "fiddle kitty" to support both the **Oregon Oldtime Fiddlers** and the **Terrebonne Grange**.

Western Swing Workshops: LeRoy Newport has been hosting the workshops, and he plans to resume them in the Fall. These are fun, and LeRoy is patient!

District 3 of the Oregon Oldtime Fiddlers are pleased to host the **Central Oregon Acoustic Music Gathering** at the Crook County Fairgrounds, Sept 14-16 2023! Family fun, Great music, dancing, workshops, visiting and much more, stay tuned!

Q: Are these fiddles or violins?

A: They're fiddles. "Violins" is never the answer.

~ Karen Bennett, District 3 Reporter

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Our lovely summer days are flying by on butterfly wings we've only August left before we have to face Fall.

District 4 fiddler, **Judy McGarvey**, competed in the **National Fiddle Contest** in Weiser, Idaho. She was presented with the "**Oldest Competing Fiddler**" award. Oregon was the Host State this year and the musicians had the honor of opening the evening proudly with a performance. **Ron** and **Cindy Crane** from District 4 also attended.

In place of a monthly meeting, District 4 musicians gave a performance at the Open House at the **Historic Hanley Farm**. On July 10 **Ron Bolstad** and **Judy McGarvey** filled the gig at the **Britt Children's Festival** This event is free to children and their families to visit the facility and view different style of music.

Ron and Judy roamed the grounds performing fiddle tunes and answering any questions about the instruments and the music.

There will be no monthly meeting for August. The first gig of the month is District 4's performance at the Josephine County Fair, August 11 at Noon. The last performance of this summer at the RV Park will be on August 12 at 7-9:00 pm. Last time for bonfire cooked hot dogs and smores.

Many District 4 members will be heading to the coast for the "Fiddle on the Beach" presented by District 5. This is a well-loved, well attended yearly event. It's a time to visit with friends from around the state, play

some music and hear some talented musicians in a laid-back, wear your sandals and shorts atmosphere. It's just a lot of fun. August 17-20 at Winchester Bay. The theme for the Friday night contest is "From Sea to Shining Sea". See you there! brings the first meeting chaired by our new District Chairman, Melissa Taylor. The meeting will be held at Fruitdale Grange in Grants Pass. The meeting will convene at 11:30, warm-up jam 12:30, sign-up jam, open to the public, 1:00-3:00 pm. All acoustic musicians are welcome to join the fun.

On September 9th District 4 musicians will perform at the Prospect Community Center in Prospect at 1:00 pm. This is the first visit to this center to perform so let's have a by turn out of musicians please.

The Tuesday Jammers are still having fun every Tuesday from 4-6 pm at the First United Methodist Church in Medford. Check the online calendar for any new posts and the directions, times and dates.

See you there! ~ Judy Lyons, District 4 Reporter



Lenny Ferrara, Judy McGarvey, Judy Lyons, Gary Preston, Carol Ferrara and Melissa Taylor performing at the Historic Hanley Farm on 4th of July weekend.

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Tune of the Month

Thanks to
Joe Ross of
District 10 for this
month's tune

Rusty's Schottische was played quite often by one of deceased members of OOTFA ... Rusty Modrell. Here is the notation of it from Tim Rued. Tim and his wife Margie (on piano) play a version of it on You Tube at this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dqPvc3XxoMs>

Rusty's Schottische

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American

Musical notation for "Rusty's Schottische" in 2/4 time, key of G major. The notation consists of three staves of music. The first staff begins with a G chord, followed by a D7 chord, and ends with a G chord. The second staff begins with a D7 chord, followed by a G chord, a C chord, an F chord, and a G7 chord. The third staff begins with a C chord, followed by an F chord, a G7 chord, and ends with a C chord. The music features a mix of eighth and sixteenth notes, with some triplet patterns.



Rusty Modrell, who wrote this jaunty little Schottische, was a beloved member of OOTFA



District 10's Joe Ross is a frequent contributor to "Tune of the Month"

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District 5 August Events

- 1 Hauser National Night Out 5:30 - 6:30 pm**
 Riley Horse Arena
- 9 Bullards Beach State Park 6 - 7:30 pm**
 Amphitheater, outdoor performance
- 17 - 20 Fiddle at the Beach doors open 8 am**
Campout stage shows at 6 pm
 Winchester Bay Community Center
- 23 Bullards Beach State Park 6 - 7:30 pm**
 Amphitheater, outdoor performance

We love summer. The sunny weather, the fun to be had and the easygoing feeling in general. We love playing outdoors to crowds who gather and celebrate the season by listening to our music and enjoying the summer sun and perhaps even a picnic. Your friends in District 5 have plans to keep that spirit going with one of the highlights of the summer for our District, our annual event, **Fiddle at the Beach**, which will be held August 17th through the 20th. I will repeat the daily schedule of events as reported in last month's column by our traveling minstrel, **Linda Sweatt**. For complete information, refer to her report in last month's **Hoedowner**, or you may also call any of our officers or District 5 members. We heartily invite you to come and enjoy the magic of music and friends.

Thursday, the 17th • Doors open at 8:00 am, with coffee brewing and jams going all day, an **OOTFA Members Dinner** of spaghetti and trimmings will be offered at 4:00 pm, with a stage show following at 6:00 pm.



Mapril Combs, Barbara Scheirman Linda Sweatt & Verna Lee at Bullards Beach



Verna Lee providing some rhythm

NOTE: There will be a sign up on our white board for the stage show each evening. Sharon Gallagher is the director and will organize the players accordingly.

Friday, the 18th • Doors open at 8:00 am. Coffee is a constant and reliable sustaining elixir. Hot dogs will be served at noon, with our featured theme stage show at 6:00 pm. This year's theme is "**From Sea To Shining Sea: Across America.**" This means once again, you have the creative opportunity to chose your favorite town, landmark, waterway, etc., from the selection of songs that catch your fancy. Then plan the performance and gather friends to play back up—don't forget costumes—and enjoy the experience and applause. You may be one of the prize winners!

Saturday, the 19th • Doors open at 8:00 am. Coffee brewing, jams all day, hot dogs served at noon and a stage show at 6:00 pm.

Sunday, the 20th • Doors open at 8:00 am. Coffee brewing. Our **Gospel Show** will begin at 9:00 am and will conclude when all who have signed up to play, have performed, which is usually around 11:00 am, or so. And, this concludes our **Fiddle at the Beach** event. We certainly hope you can come. It's always a terrific time! If you haven't found a place to stay, Dawn Vonderlin has a list of accommodations in Winchester Bay, should you need help. You may also call the **Chamber of Commerce** at 541-271-3495.

In other news, we continue to play 2nd and 4th Wednesdays in Bandon at **Bullard's Beach Amphitheater** at the campground there. These summer performances are always well-attended and enjoyable for all. The show begins at 6:00 pm, lasting until 7:30 pm. We have been fortunate to have great weather. We have had a practice hosted by the gracious team of **Bill and Pat Winfrey** in their beautiful country home where they grow flowers and attract all manner of birds and wildlife. **Dawn** even spotted a bluebird!

Please plan to join us for our **Fiddle at the Beach** event in Winchester Bay and keep the music and friendship flowing!

~ Barbara Scheirman, District 5 Reporter

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District 6 August Events

- 3 **Dave & Jim's Acoustic Jam** 1 - 3 pm
Corvallis Community Center
- 4 **Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest** 8 am
Benton County Fair (see page 3 for more)
- 5 **Intermediate Fiddle Class** **Canceled**
River Road Annex, Eugene
- 11 **Kids' Fiddle Jam** 6:30 - 8 pm
Contact Jenny Jonak for details: jenny@jonak.com
- 12 **District 6 Monthly Jam** 10 am - 3 pm
Central Grange, 87200 Central Road
- 14 **Beginning Fiddle Class** 1 - 3 pm
Bethesda Lutheran, 4445 Royal Ave., Eugene

If the heat isn't getting to you, I'll bet it's getting to your strings! Sounding a little flat, you say? Aren't we all, especially for those outdoor gigs! Dale and Donna Wynn, Meg Graf and I played at the Lavender Bloom Festival near Walterville earlier in July and poor Donna had a heck of a time with her fiddle strings. Other OOTFA performers included Linda Danielson with her harpist friend, Janet Naylor, and Keith Barr with his talented grandsons, Sam and Ben Morehouse, playing together for the first time in public. Amy Burrow was also there with The Ukulele Shenanigans.

West Cascades Fiddle Camp was another happy success in 2023. The organizers are Jerry and Linda Parks, Patti and Ken Luse, Linda Danielson, Amy Burrow and Jenny Jonak. District 6 is quite fortunate to have such hard working folks dedicated to furthering musical goals and encouraging young people to play our kind of music.

Dick Penny reports that July's Ya-Po-Ah Terrace jam was a success. Because those jams are no longer monthly, the next one will be October 20. Eugene Hotel First Friday Jams are also put off until October.

Two OOTFA groups will perform at the Eugene Hotel on August 4 for the Eugene First Friday Artwalk. Last year was a smash hit (it was the happenin' place that night) so we are looking forward to making the residents, as well as those who venture upon us, happy again!

The Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest is happening Friday, August 4 at the Benton County Fair. Registration is on site. For more information, see page 3.

~ Robin Lindsey, District 6 Reporter



Linda and Jerry Parks flank Fiddle Camp's first arrival, Sondra Cheney from Bend

Playing for a Good Cause

by Amy Burrow

A Barnyard Jamboree certainly calls for old time music, and musicians from District 6 were tapped to fill the bill. On a hot summer afternoon, in the shade between the historic barn and hazelnut orchards at Dorris Ranch, Keith Barr, Barry Breen, Amy Burrow, Linda Danielson, Betsy Janascek and Hal Weiner entertained guests and supporters who came to celebrate the Pearl Buck Center's 70th Anniversary.

As folks socialized, enjoyed traditional BBQ fare and viewed posters chronicling the history and accomplishments of The Pearl Buck Center, and their service to individuals in our community who live with disabilities, the band played until a program began, sharing testimonials of how the Center has created opportunities and provided services to improve peoples' lives.

Jam & Potluck at the O'Sullivans'

by Tony Dandurand

The District 2nd Saturday Jam for July at Margot and Bill O'Sullivan's country home was a fine time.

A large covered patio and spacious deck provided ample space for the approximately 15 or so participants. Five guitars, four fiddles, three mandolins, a banjo, and a bass blended together for much happy music under sunny skies. The potluck lunch featured Bill's slow barbecued pulled pork, Margot's delicious 2-tone brownies, and plenty of snacks, chips, and salads.

Much thanks to Bill and Margot for graciously hosting this most pleasant get together.

Birthday Greetings: David Elliker-Vagsberg (8/8), Jim Ford (8/14), "Addison" Talbot (8/20), Bernie Roberts (8/31)

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District 7 August Events

- 5 Sunnyside Grange Circle Jam 1 - 4 pm**
13130 SE Sunnyside Road, Happy Valley
- 5-6 Washington Oldtime Fiddlers 10 - 5 Saturday**
State Fiddle Championship 10 - 6 Sunday
Clark County Fair, 17402 NE Delfel Road
Ridgefield, Washington
www.wafiddlechampionships.org
- 10 Polk County Fair (with District 8) 3 - 4 pm**
520 S Pacific Hwy W., Rickreall, Oregon
www.co.polk.or.us/fair/annual/polk-county-fair-2023
- 13 King City Senior Center 1 - 2 pm**
11777 SW Queen Elizabeth St., King City, OR

If the July 29 Youth Fiddle Contest in Wilsonville whetted your appetite for more fiddling, visit our neighbors to the north as the **Washington Old Time Fiddlers** hold their state fiddle contest, August 5-6, during the **Clark County Fair**. Enter the contest (residents from any state can enter) or join the audience while feasting on fair food. The Blue Gate is the nearest entrance to the contest stage.

For another great fair experience, some of our musicians will be joining District 8 to play at the **Polk County Fair** in Rickreall (west of Salem). Old time fiddling is a great match for the county fair spirit so please join the musicians from these two adjoining districts and give yourself another day at the fair! Seniors (62+) are free on Thursday until 4 pm. Contact **Lynn Gossett** if you can play at Rickreall, gossettlynn@yahoo.com or 503-831-1505.

We so enjoy our gigs at assisted living and senior centers around Oregon and never know what surprises might happen. When we played on June 27 for the residents and staff at **Cherry Blossom Cottage** in Portland, we enjoyed sharing ice cream, and one resident treated us to an impromptu performance of "Chattanooga Shoe Shine Boy." For a special treat in July, many of our District 7 musicians joined **Claudia Zinser** for her 80th birthday party at her wonderful forest home near Estacada. Besides being one of our regular fiddlers and serving as the District 7 Secretary, Claudia also plays with **Orchestracada**, a community orchestra in Estacada. orchestracada.org.

~ Nancy Christie & Larry Vining, District 7 Reporters

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- 3 Basic Slo Jam at Cathy Yale's 9:30 - 10 am**
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- 3 Slo-Jam at Marie Bailey's home 1 - 3 pm**
Learn/Review jam tunes RSVP 503-835-7185
- 10 Polk County Fair; Heritage 2 - 4 pm**
Harvest Festival; Senior Day
- 10 Basic Slo Jam at Cathy Yale's 9:30 - 10 am**
home, Martha Hughes, instructor
- 11 Jam at Marilyn Owen's home 1 - 3 pm**
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- 17 Basic Slo Jam at Cathy Yale's 9:30 - 10 am**
home, Martha Hughes, instructor
- 17 Slo-Jam at Marie Bailey's home 1 - 3 pm**
- 20 Yamhill County Heritage Center 2 - 4 pm**
11275 SW Durham Lane; McMinnville
- 26 District 8 monthly jam & meeting 2 - 4 pm**
at Marie Bailey's home

Rae Parlier is our new scheduler with Ted Hunt continuing as sound man.

Martha Hughes, and a few others, attended the **National Fiddle Contest** in Weiser, Idaho. Martha played in the contest. She says that one of the highlights of being there was to meet some of the great players like **Luke Price** and that the calm, relaxing, friendly energy of the warm-up room was nice! Weiser was a great experience!

Martha Hughes' fiddle class has morphed into a learning jam, which will now be held at **Cathy Yales** home in Keizer on July 6, 13, and 27.

~ Gayle Clarity, District 8 Reporter



Martha Hughes in Weiser accompanied by Rod Anderson and Ed Miller

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Fiddlers in District 9 continue to meet Friday evening at City of Hines meeting room. Thank you City of Hines! The exception will continue to be entertaining residents of **The Aspens Assisted Living** in fourth Fridays every month. Our last potluck and jam at the **"Hub" Senior Center** was May 7th, and will begin again on the second Sunday in October. We look forward to connecting again with more of our loyal fans.

Loretta Peyrollaz and parents of children from Christmas Valley invited us fiddlers to jam at the **Glory Days Pizza** in Burns. The students entertained us with a song, and we enjoyed Loretta's fiddle while we jammed. District 9 Vice-Chair, **Ronda Metler** joined us from John Day.

District 9 Fiddlers were invited to jam at the **Broadway Deli** to show appreciation to **Marianne and Gordon Andrews** for their support and contribution to music in Harney County. They are moving to Yakima, Washington to be closer to family members. Marianne and Gordon danced to our music as they have many times during our activities. Thank you Marianne for your service as reporter and for your fiddle tunes during jams. **Ron Phillips** and **Ben Richardson** drove down from John Day to show their support and participate in the music. Thank you proprietor **Fran Davis** for hosting and providing refreshments.

OOFTA District 9 was pleased to host the **High Desert Jamboree**, June 15 – 17, and provide the venue for the quarterly meeting. It is always fun to see folks jamming in various places around the Fairgrounds, showing up on stage to perform and enjoying spontaneous conversation with friends from near and far. "Old-time" music is the best!

~ Don Greenfield,
District 9 Reporter



District 9 played for the Archeology and Culture Keepers Road Show on June 24th

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District 10 August Events

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| 1 | The Landing | 12 – 1 pm |
| 2 | Born Free RV Rally Jam | 7 - 9 pm |
| | Canyonville Seven Feathers Resort BBQ Pavilion | |
| 21 | Fiddle in the Park Graduation Ceremony & Jam | 10 - 12 am |
| | Fir Grove Park | |
| 22 | Bridgewood Rivers | 2 – 3 pm |
| 25 | Canyonville Pioneer Days | 12 - 1 pm |
| 26 | Sutherlin Senior Center Potluck & Jam | 12 – 3 pm |
| 29 | Brookdale Memory Care | 10:30 - 11:30 am |

On Wednesday, August 2, Mike Gillespie and Nancy Wolf host an OOTFA Acoustic Jam from 7 - 9 pm at **Canyonville Seven Feathers RV Resort BBQ Pavilion** for 30 people in the **Born Free Rally**. Please bring your own chair/stool. All are welcome to come and jam. Dessert provided.

A big shout out to our newest district members who have joined since May; **Donna Abare, Gordon Fleig, Krystal** and **Dain Moore, Michael Fisher, Jack Holland, Donna Priestley, Felicia Matthews** and **Rosemarie Miner Witnauer**. They bring new music, fresh sounds and support

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support to OOTFA. A belated happy birthday (July 11) to banjo-playing **Rose**, retired medical technologist who recently relocated from Prineville to Glide. **Jack Holland** is a bass playing singer I first met when he was doing installations, sound engineering and sales at **Absolute Sound and Music** in Roseburg, as well as singing with **Roseburg Concert Chorale** and **The Vintage Singers**. **Felica Matthews** is a guitarist/singer who currently works as a pilot for **Alaska Airlines**. **Donna Priestley** sings with local chorale groups and acts in musical theater produced by **UACT** and **UCC**. Retired English teacher from Umpqua Community College, guitarist/mandolinist **Michael Fisher** recently celebrated his 80th birthday.

We're looking forward to **Fiddle at the Beach** (Winchester Bay) in August, and **Central Oregon Acoustic Music Gathering** (Prineville) in September. OOTFA will perform at the **14th Eagleview Pickout** that **Oregon Bluegrass Assn.** is hosting on Sept 29 - Oct 1 at **Eagleview Group Campground** along the Umpqua River near Tyee. You're invited to come, camp, jam and potluck with us at the beautiful site about 12 miles west of Sutherlin. Contact me for more info.

Monday Beginning Fiddle Class (**Fir Grove Park** by the splash pad) wraps up on August 21 at 10 am. Everyone will jam with class attendees. When kids pick a tune, we'll play it slow. We'll also play some upbeat fast tunes so they hear what that sounds like too. They will know how to chunk along for backup accompaniment. There will be refreshments. Bring your own chair! Contact **Kelly** for more info.

In August, we celebrate birthdays of **Barbara Willhoft Stephenson** (Aug. 1), **Jim Leininger** (Aug. 12), **Hal Thompson** (Aug. 13), and **Chuck Stayer** (Aug. 19). **Joe** and **Kathy Ross** celebrate 41 years of marital bliss on August 7.



Rosemarie Witnauer is now a District 10 member

Congrats to **Frank Moore** and **Karen Bennett** who celebrate their 7th Anniversary on Aug 25. Event updates are sent around via e-mail, texts and posted on **District 10's Facebook page**. Contact **Jude** to subscribe or get the links.

Plans are underway for a **Joint Potluck & Jam** with District 4 at **Azalea Grange Hall** (142 Pisqually Lane). We're targeting Saturday Oct 21 for the gathering about midway between our two districts. OOTFA will partner with **Azalea Grange #786**, and their members, as well as local musicians in that area, will also join us at the potluck/jam from 3 - 6 pm. Reserve the date. More details will follow. It will be a blast!

Jim Kuether had a pacemaker installed on July 19. Please keep him and his family in your prayers and thoughts as he recovers from that operation. With a little regular maintenance and lubrication, I think it will extend his warranty for at least another decade or two.

Keep on a-pickin and grinnin! ~ Joe Ross, District 10 Reporter



Gabi Ford, Jesse Knudson and Jim Ford, of District 6, visited for a jam in Sutherlin



Jim Kuether, Jack Holland and Jim Leininger

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Acoustic Music
Gathering
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(Includes Fall Board
& Membership
Meeting)*

In Memoriam

John Borelli, District 9 Lifetime Member from Drewsey, OR near Burns passed away on . He was a lifetime member along with his wife, **Linda**.

His expertise was in playing the mandolin, mostly Irish Jigs, but also played guitar, piano, harpsichord, autoharp and others. Condolences and memories can be sent to **Linda and their family** at PO Box 147, Drewsey, OR 97904

Dale Miller of Salem in District 8 passed away on June 17. He was born in September 1929 and spent his entire life in Silverton and Victor Point where he was a seed farmer, school bus driver and construction foreman. Neither he nor his wife **Carol** played an instrument, but they faithfully went to the Contests, to Burns, Weiser and Quartzsite, AZ to hear us play. He was a lifetime member of OOTFA. Condolences & memories for the family can be sent to his daughter,

Kay Haslebacher-Webb at 847 Mondeda Ave N, Keizer, OR 97303

Darlene Wingfield, Lifetime Member of District 9 in Burns passed away May 24. She was a longtime member of OOTFA and the partner of **Paul Hyland**. She grew up on a farm in Rosedale and graduated from Burns High School. She was active in the community. Condolences and memories can be sent to **Paul and her family** at PO Box 517, Burns, OR 97720

(Editors Note: Please send any recent obituaries of OOTFA members or past OOTFA members to Patti Luse, 979 Ascot Dr., Eugene, OR 97401.)